

City Of Torrington

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November 16, 2017

Frank Gardner
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RE: FY2018 EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant Application

Dear Mr. Gardner:

On behalf of the City of Torrington, I am pleased to submit our application for a Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment Grant for funding that will enable us to continue our efforts to protect the health and welfare of our residents while bolstering our local economy.

Torrington was one of Connecticut's major industrial hubs during the industrial revolution; however, as with the shift from an industrial-based economy to a service-based economy, Torrington was left with over 1.0 M square feet of contaminated properties found throughout the City. A majority of the properties are occupied by underutilized or vacant and blighted buildings—many located adjacent to core neighborhoods, or occupy major gateways to the City.

Through EPA and State of Connecticut funding over the last decade, Torrington has begun to tackle some of these brownfields. In recent years, we have strategically begun to link economic development benefits of overcoming historic contamination to broader wellness and public health goals through the establishment of a trail network that also provides regional connections. As a result, we have two major greenways. The Naugatuck River Greenway is a 44-mile multi-use trail extending from Torrington to the City of Derby to the south. The Sue Grossman Greenway, a 10-mile multi-use trail currently being designed, will connect downtown Torrington to Winsted, to the northeast. These trails are located adjacent to the Naugatuck River or the Naugatuck Railroad, both of which played a significant role in our industrial past.

The City intends to utilize the requested EPA funds to conduct environmental assessments specifically along the Naugatuck River and Naugatuck Railroad corridor to allow for trail development. The trail connects numerous potentially-contaminated industrial properties, thus the investigations will play a dual role in facilitating property redevelopment.

Applicant Information:

- a. Applicant Identification: City of Torrington
140 Main Street, Torrington CT 06790
- b. Funding Requested:
- i. Grant Type: Assessment
 - ii. Assessment Grant Type: Community-Wide
 - iii. Federal Funds Requested: \$300,000
 - iv. Contamination: Combined: Hazardous Material
\$150,000 / Petroleum \$150,000
- c. Location: Torrington, CT
- d. Property Information: N/A
- e. Contacts:
- i. Project Director: Erin Wilson, AICP- Dir. of Economic Development
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 - ii. Chief Executive Officer: Elinor C. Carbone-Mayor
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- f. Population:
- i. Population 36,383
 - ii. Target Population N/A
 - iii. "Persistent Poverty" This jurisdiction is not located within or includes a county experiencing persistent poverty.

Included with this application are the regional priorities/other factors checklist along with the letter of support from the State of Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection.

Respectfully,



Elinor C. Carbone
Mayor

Appendix 3 - Regional Priorities Form/Other Factors Checklist

Name of Applicant: _____ **City of Torrington, CT** _____

Regional Priorities Other Factor

If your proposed Brownfields Assessment project will advance the regional priority(ies) identified in Section I.F., please indicate the regional priority(ies) and the page number(s) for where the information can be found within your 15-page narrative. Only address the priority(ies) for the region in which your project is located. EPA will verify these disclosures prior to selection and may consider this information during the selection process. If this information is not clearly discussed in your narrative proposal, it will not be considered during the selection process.

Regional Priority Title(s):

Coordinated Public Funding

for Brownfields - Region 1

Page Number(s): **9, 15**

Assessment Other Factors Checklist

Please identify (with an **x**) which, if any, of the below items apply to your community or your project as described in your proposal. To be considered for an Other Factor, you must include the page number where each applicable factor is discussed in your proposal. EPA will verify these disclosures prior to selection and may consider this information during the selection process. If this information is not clearly discussed in your narrative proposal or in any other attachments, it will not be considered during the selection process.

Other Factor	Page #
<i>None of the Other Factors are applicable.</i>	
Community population is 10,000 or less.	
The jurisdiction is located within, or includes, a county experiencing "persistent poverty" where 20% or more of its population has lived in poverty over the past 30 years, as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial censuses and the most recent Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates.	
Applicant is, or will assist, a federally recognized Indian tribe or United States territory.	
Target brownfield sites are impacted by mine-scarred land.	
Project is primarily focusing on Phase II assessments.	x 7, 8
Applicant demonstrates firm leveraging commitments for facilitating brownfield project completion, by identifying in the proposal the amounts and contributors of resources and including documentation that ties directly to the project.	
Applicant is a recipient of an EPA Brownfields Area-Wide Planning grant.	

November 2, 2017

Ms. Erin E. Wilson, AICP
Director of Economic Development
City of Torrington
140 Main Street
Torrington, CT 06790

Re: State Acknowledgement Letter for EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant for FY 18

Dear Ms. Wilson:

The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) acknowledges that the City of Torrington intends apply to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for a Brownfields Assessment Grant for Federal Fiscal Year 2018. The City of Torrington plans to use the grant funding to conduct assessment activities at various properties contaminated with hazardous substances and petroleum in the City of Torrington.

If petroleum assessment grant funds are awarded by EPA, DEEP or EPA must determine the eligibility of each petroleum site before any site specific assessment activity is undertaken using the petroleum assessment grant funds.

You may want to refer to DEEP's PREPARED Municipal Workbook. This on- line guidebook is designed to help municipalities navigate the complex process of remediating and redeveloping brownfields. The Workbook is available on our web site at

http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2715&q=555770&deepNav_GID=1626.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact me at (860) 424-3768 or by e-mail at mark.lewis@ct.gov. Good luck with your application.

Sincerely,



Mark R. Lewis
Brownfields Coordinator
Office of Constituent Affairs & Land Management

C: Ms. Dorrie Paar, EPA (via e- mail)

Rails to Trails & Brownfield Redevelopment along the Sue Grossman Greenway- Torrington, CT

SECTION 1: COMMUNITY NEED

1. A: Target Area & Brownfields

Community/Target Area Description: Torrington is a small city located in the heart of Litchfield County with a population of 36,383. As such, Torrington serves as the economic and institutional center of the region and by US Census definition, is one the country's largest micropolitan areas. A micropolitan community is one that is greater than 15,000 residents but smaller than 50,000 for which it serves a greater surrounding population. For Torrington, the surrounding population is Litchfield County or 186,000 residents. Like many small cities in New England, Torrington was once a thriving industrial community that supported the entire region.

Brownfield Description: As with many towns with an industrial heritage, Torrington's economy flourished through the power of the Naugatuck River in the early 19th century. Demand for goods, services and housing grew as woolen mills and the brass industry established an enduring presence. With the Naugatuck Railroad completed in 1849, Torrington became connected to other population centers and soon was producing a variety of metal products, including needles, brass, hardware, bicycles, and tacks. Industries such as Anaconda Brass, Torrington Manufacturing, Torrington Company, Royal Precision, Hendey Machine Works, and Turner and Seymour Manufacturing provided thousands of jobs and sustained the community for decades.

The 1980s marked the de-industrialization of the Naugatuck River Valley and the impact on Torrington was devastating. Mergers, acquisitions, bankruptcies and the wholesale exodus of companies from the United States left Torrington workers and all of the Naugatuck Valley jobless and its industrial complexes shuttered. The absence of environmental regulations coupled with the lack of understanding of the materials being handled and the waste products being disposed delivered one last blow to Torrington—contamination--thus leaving behind more than a million square feet of underutilized and blighted properties scattered throughout Torrington that cast a negative light on all of Torrington.

The City has attacked brownfields head-on with the help of federal and state funding, yet, significant challenges remain. Its industrial legacy has resulted in:

- Over 115 hazardous waste facilities are within City limits according to State Statutes Section 22a-134f
- GB groundwater classifications in many areas indicating it is not suitable for drinking.
- The surface water of the Naugatuck River and its largest tributary to the West Branch Naugatuck, which comprise the two main water courses are classified as "B" – degraded and not suitable for drinking and with limited aesthetic, fishing and aquatic value.
- Lead levels in children under the age of six in Torrington are more than double the state average

- Rising number of blighted and distressed properties – reflected in property assessments dropping 19% in the Cities 2014 Revaluation year.

Along with brownfield redevelopment, the City has focused its efforts on providing recreational/multi-use trails to promote a healthier community and support an aging population as well as attract a younger workforce. Torrington will benefit from two proposed greenways that will connect in its downtown; the Naugatuck River Greenway (NRG) and the Sue Grossman Greenway (SGG). The challenge in establishing these greenways is that both have routes that follow the railroad and the Naugatuck River, that are riddled with contaminated properties.

Torrington's Community-Wide Assessment grant is aimed at looking at brownfield properties along or adjacent to the proposed location of the Sue Grossman Greenway.

Demographic Information & Indicators of Need: With a population of 36,383, Torrington serves as the regional economic center of the rural Litchfield County. Torrington also serves as Litchfield County's center for public services, and as such absorbs a large percentage of the county's most needy citizens. Table 1 below illustrates that Torrington's unemployment rate is higher than the state, the micropolitan region and the national rates. In addition, the City's median household income is much less than the State of Connecticut and the region.

Table 1: Torrington Demographic's Census Data 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5 Year-Estimates				
	Torrington	State	National	Torrington CT Micro Area
Population	35,493	3,593,222	316,127,513	186,304
Unemployment	9.20%	8.80%	8.30%	7.10%
Poverty Rate	10.7%	10.50%	15.50%	7.00%
Percent Minority	15.60%	22.10%	37.80%	9.80%
Per Capita	\$29,737	\$38,803	\$28,930	\$38,530
Median Household Income	\$56,264	\$70,331	\$53,889	\$72,061
% Person +65	17.42%	15.09%	14.09%	17.72%
Renter Occupied	33.60%	33.00%	36.10%	22.97%
* Data from the 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates				

In addition, a major economic growth challenge facing Torrington is our aging population. By 2025, Torrington is expected to see a 39% increase in the 65+ population and a reduction of students by 10%.

Though Torrington and Litchfield County are not culturally diverse, Torrington has become home to a larger Hispanic population. While population growth since 2000 has been minimal, the Hispanic population has more than doubled since 1990 and is at 8.76% of the population. This population lags behind economically because of language barriers and insufficient education. Overall, 10.7% of the population in Torrington is at poverty level whereas 22.2% of Hispanic population in Torrington is at poverty level. The City has a comparatively low per capita income, high unemployment rate, and high percentage of people living below the poverty level. Due to these factors and a high adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, Torrington is designated as one of the State's 25 Distressed Municipalities.

1. B. Welfare, Environmental, and Public Health Impacts

Welfare Impacts: As the largest “micropolitan” center in Connecticut and a distressed municipality, Torrington faces significant challenges in accommodating the local and regional needs of its residents. The loss of industry and a shrinking tax base, an aging population, declining student enrollment and lack of college-educated younger adults continues to stymie economic recovery. According to the US Census Community Fact Finder in 2015, 40.5% of Torrington households (15,607) were living below the approximate \$45,000 threshold used to estimate the number and proportion of households under 65 that are unable to meet a basic security/ living wage budget. There is a higher rate of dependence on food stamps and welfare, and the growing need for health care is significantly affecting this population.

The target area of this application contains at least ten known or likely brownfields caused by historic industrial uses. These pose potential risks to human health given that they are proximate to residences that range from dense multi-family dwellings at the City's core to single-family homes as the target area extends to the northeast. These brownfields contribute to blight and convey a sense of community disinvestment. Furthermore, because of the rail road right-of-way, there is a lack of defensibility. Thus, illegal dumping plagues the corridor as noted by the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection.

The City continues to receive reports of homeless camps along the rail bed and struggles to monitor activity, as there is concern for not only the safety of these individuals along the still-active portions of the rail line but also exposure pathways related to rail road use/maintenance and illegal dumping, some of which reportedly contains asbestos.

Cumulative Environmental Issues: The target area represents a mix of multi-family and single-family residential properties interspersed with industrial legacy sites. Former land uses include Stone Container, Hendey Manufacturing, Timken Manufacturing, Kelly Bus Services, as well as the Healy Smith CERCLA (asbestos) site. The Healy Smith site is situated on both sides of an abandoned portion of the rail road. The east side of the bisected property has been occupied by ‘big box’ retail outlets, currently Ocean State Job Lot. Due diligence efforts by the City has obtained documentation that the known asbestos that remains on site is covered in pervious stone material. However there is concern over historical and future leaching and direct exposure.

To the south, the former Timken Manufacturing site has been identified by the property owner as a CERCLA site. The owner is a willing partner in accommodating the trail, but also has requested assistance in addressing residual contamination immediately adjacent to the proposed trail in order to redevelop the site. Continuing southward, the active Christmas Village property, visited by 20,000 families during the two-week December event annually, occupies a former coal/coal ash storage area associated with rail road operations. Further south, Stone Container and Hendey Manufacturing are known brownfield sites and the site of the proposed Northwest Regional Transit Facility. One of the structures at Hendey previously burned due to arson. Contaminant release into the air is unknown.

Cumulative environmental impacts associated with the brownfields as well as the rail road bed itself include possible exposure pathways via air, water, and ground and may include contaminants such as asbestos, herbicides, petroleum hydrocarbons, solvents, creosote, and metals.

Cumulative Public Health Impact: There are 12 census tracts involved in the target area. Within these tracts, 17-41% of the population is below the median income. Census data on the homeless population is unavailable but has a known presence. Community health data from Charlotte Hungerford Hospital indicates that lead exposure (equal to or above 5 mcg) is double the state exposure. Also 1 out of 3 school-aged children are obese in households with less than a \$35,000 income. Only 34% of City school students have passed the State's physical fitness benchmarks.

In addition to these health challenges, this population is exposed to potential contaminants through multiple pathways. Without characterizing known and perceived contamination throughout the corridor, the City is unable to identify and alleviate what can only be characterized as potential public health threats that have remained for decades. The investigations carried out as a result of the requested funds will allow contamination to be directly addressed and ultimately will lead to the construction of a trail that will provide much-needed recreational opportunities to this disadvantaged population. The Charlotte Hungerford Hospital Community Health Improvement Plan (2012-2019) has stipulated several objectives related to increasing access to outdoor recreation to address childhood obesity, bolster adult physical activity and lower cardiovascular disease, diabetes and other chronic disease.

1. C: Financial Need

Economic conditions: While Torrington is the economic engine of Litchfield County and bears the burden of social service support for the region, the size of its population disqualifies it for specific state and federal assistance. It is not a Targeted Investment Community, and lacks an Entitlement Zone. The City does not qualify for Urban Act funds or State Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) funding.

More specifically, Torrington experienced a 19% reduction in property assessments in 2014 which resulted in a significant increase in its mill rate from 37 to 45.75 thus significantly straining Torrington's ability to attract private investments.

More so, the State of Connecticut's fiscal crisis has impacted municipalities. Torrington is slated to lose approximately \$1.8 million this year in State assistance. The lack of reliability and fluctuations at the State level have required Torrington to become less reliant on State assistance which in turn inhibits the City to spend on capital projects and brownfield projects.

While the City was successful in saving its EPA RLF program with the loan it borrowed against itself, the repayment is still in its early stages. More importantly, the purpose of this fund was to loan funds to future developers in order to incentivize redevelopment of brownfields. Due to the success of previous assessment grants, there are development opportunities on the horizon where the City hopes to re-loan these funds.

Economic Effects of Brownfields: The 1980s marked the de-industrialization of the Naugatuck River Valley and the impact on Torrington was devastating. Mergers, acquisitions, bankruptcies and the wholesale exodus of companies from the United States left Torrington workers and all of the Naugatuck Valley jobless and its industrial complexes shuttered.

Between the 1930s-60s the companies described above provided approximately 9,100 jobs in Torrington. By 2006, most if not all of these jobs were gone. The Torrington Company alone, as one of Torrington's largest employer, during the peak industrial era, provided 2,400 jobs until closing in 2006 and left behind over 1,000,000SF of underutilized or vacant brownfield properties scattered across the City and in many cases located directly within neighborhoods. The loss of employment has been indicated by the high unemployment rates since the decline.

As the housing stock continues to age and residents not able to re-invest in their properties, property values have begun to decline, as evident in the City's 2014 revaluation. This decline resulted in the increase in the mill rate which has impacted Torrington's ability to attract outside investment. Coupled with the environmental unknowns and historical significance of these properties, it has made redevelopment of these properties nearly impossible. With the lack of investment, blight has become a major concern for the City. Blight continues to adversely affect property values, vandalism, and promotes crime.

SECTION 2: PROJECT DESCRIPTION

2. A: Project Description, Redevelopment Strategy, and Timing and Implementation

There are three priority sites that will be the focus of the requested EPA funds: 105 Summer Street/200 Litchfield Street (Stone Container), Christmas Village 160 Church/165 Pearl), and a portion of the abandoned railroad (now owned by a subsidiary of Pan AM). The project once conceived will involve the procurement of qualified Licensed Environmental Professionals and redevelopment specialists to carry out characterization, outreach and redevelopment strategies

for these parcels and others as identified by the Sue Grossman Routing Study. The methodologies to be employed by the City are well-established, having been used since 2009. Since this time, the City has drafted specific strategies to guide the redevelopment of brownfields, the revitalization of the downtown core through business attraction, and the provision of recreational opportunities. The development of implementation strategies based on the results of the environmental investigations will set in motion a two-pronged initiative that will allow simultaneous construction of the SGG and provide much-needed due diligence for redevelopment. The latter incentivizes private investment in these industrial legacy sites and will further the City's efforts in revitalization.

The City's 10-year Plan of Conservation & Development (effective January 19, 2010) has provided the over-arching guide to brownfields redevelopment, public facilities, and recreation. The POCD was drafted based on countless public workshops and specific community input. Specific to brownfields, the POCD states: Economic development efforts within the City of Torrington will be in accordance with accepted smart growth measures. These efforts include revitalizing the urban center, reusing vacant industrial buildings, remediating and redeveloping brownfield sites, and focusing new industrial/ commercial development where existing infrastructure can support the growth. These smart growth policies will maximize the utilization of existing infrastructure resources while minimizing greenfield development.

Torrington's POCD also encourages investment of transit and commuting facilities and safe routes for pedestrians and bicyclists and specifically mentions the development of the SGG. These POCD goals spurred a flurry of City-sponsored and community-based initiatives including: Torrington Walks, the Torrington Trail Network and most recently a \$275,000 Office of Policy & Management grant for a Sue Grossman Still River Greenway Routing Study and Design.

Clearly, the intent and outcome of the requested EPA funds are consistent with and directly implement these goals. Furthermore, the City's preparation of a Brownfield Strategy using a grant from the Connecticut Department of Economic & Community Development's Office of Brownfields, and specifically targeting the Stone Container/Regional Transit site as well as the Franklin Street area (location where both greenways meet), will also factor prominently in the use of the EPA funds. By the time the Strategy is completed, a market study and site development concepts will be available for property owners within downtown and along the proposed trail corridor to use to jumpstart private redevelopment.

Redevelopment Strategy: Consistent with the intended project objective, the redevelopment strategy involves the characterization of contaminated properties along the Greenway for which the City can potentially acquire or obtain right-of-way easements in order to construct the trail. Working in the public trust, the City does not want to acquire properties unless it fully understands the cost of and responsibility for remediation. This link between community purpose and private redevelopment is a strategy the City has explicitly embraced and is an integral part of its downtown revitalization strategy.

was able to acquire during this process. It is intended that the RAP planning will occur at two of the priority sites as indicated previously.

Budget Categories	Table 2: Project Tasks (\$) Programmatic costs only)					
	Task 1 Cooperative Agreement Oversight	Task 2 Community Outreach & Engagement	Task 3 Phase 1 & Phase II Site Assessment Activities		Task 4 Site Re-Use and Cleanup Planning	Total
			Petroleum	Hazardous		
Personnel						
Fringe Benefits						
Travel	\$1,500					
Equipment						
Supplies	\$5,000					
Contractual		\$10,000	\$116,750	\$116,750	\$50,000	
Other						
Total Budget	\$6,500	\$10,000	\$116,750	\$116,750	\$50,000	\$300,000

Task 1: Cooperative Agreement - \$6,500

The City is requesting \$1,500 to send 2 people to the Brownfields Conference. This breaks down to approximately \$900 for hotel expenses and \$600 for air-travel.

The \$5,000 in supplies will be used for printing of materials and informational packets for residents interested in understanding more about brownfields and the impacts to our health.

Task 2: Community Engagement & Outreach - \$10,000

A portion of the funds are set aside for a consultant to assist with Community engagement efforts to include a public workshop, the development of educational and information packets and marketing efforts to promote the assessment projects and re-use of the sites.

Task 3: Phase I & Phase II Site Assessment Activities - \$233,500

The majority of funds are allocated to Phase I and Phase II Assessments. These funds are broken up between Hazardous Materials and Petroleum. It is estimated that the following # of assessments will be conducted:

Phase Is – 5 at \$3,500 each (based on parcel sizes) = \$17,500

Phase IIs – 4 at \$54,000 each – 2 for Hazardous Material and 2 for Petroleum related sites – Please note that this is an estimate and may change based upon Phase I assessments and size and extent of areas of concern(AOCs) = \$216,000

Task 4: Site Re-Use and Cleanup Planning - \$50,000

Based upon on-going negotiations for property acquisition by the City, it is estimated that the City will conduct two Remedial Action Plans with planning efforts.

RAP & Planning – 2 at \$25,000 each

2. C: Ability to Leverage

The City intends to utilize staff time as an In-Kind service to support the Community-Wide Assessment Grant and will likely go after State funding as a potential resource for the remediation of those sites. Only the cost of the Hazardous Material Removal is known at this time for the Northwest Transit Facility site. Please see Table 3 below.

Table 3: Leveraging Resources			
Source	Purpose/Role	Amount (\$)	Status (Secured Resource with documentation, pending or potential resource)
City of Torrington	In-Kind Services	\$27,697.80	Secured
State of Connecticut Department of Economic & Community Development	Remediation Funds for Hazardous Material Clean up at Transit Facility	\$900,000	Potential resource

Past Leveraging Experience: The City of Torrington has a long track record in its ability to leverage funding to support brownfield redevelopment projects. The previously awarded EPA grants afforded the City to obtain \$1.2 million from the Connecticut Department of Economic & Community Development related to the Riverfront Recapture Project and the Northwest Regional Transit Facility.

The use of the grant funds will be applied to properties specifically along or adjacent to the Sue Grossman Greenway. The City also has leveraged funding from the following grant programs related to recreational trail development:

- CT Recreational Trails Grant – State Funds - \$275,000 – For the construction of the Naugatuck River Greenway which included a \$134,900 match from the City.
- OPM Smart Growth Grant – State Funds - \$275,000 for the Sue Grossman Greenway routing study and design
- CT Recreational Trails Grant – FHWA Funds - \$90,000 to purchase the Pan Am parcel – which also included a \$24,340 match from the City.

SECTION 3: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND PARTNERS

On-going efforts for trail development and brownfield remediation have been on-going by multiple groups and organizations through-out the City over the past 10 years. Through the Master Development Plan process, Naugatuck River Greenway planning through the Torrington Walks and Torrington Talks Charrettes, Torrington's Brownfield Area-Wide Planning Grant (BAR)

the community has been consistently engaged and informed of the City's efforts. The Community has provided input on redevelopment efforts and trail design and have helped shape the City's vision and redevelopment goals.

Since Trail development and brownfields have been on-going efforts, the City intends to utilize the organizations within the City to specifically support and to continue these community engagement efforts and partner with the State and Federal agencies that have been so critical to Torrington's success to date.

3. A: Engaging the Community

The City of Torrington will target a portion of the grant funds to reach out to the community, in a manner similar to what was undertaken during the public workshops conducted for our redevelopment projects and BAR Planning Study. The purpose is to solicit input and update the community as assessment projects proceed. Specifically, this grant will target the elderly population, Hispanic population and low-income residents that live along the greenway.

Community Involvement & Progress: The community involvement program will consist of the following components:

- The City of Torrington will co-host a public meeting at the beginning of the program to solicit input from residents, community organizations and businesses on issues pertaining to site contamination, redevelopment and greenway development.
- Flyers and informational brochures educating the public on trails and brownfield redevelopment will be prepared early on and distributed to residents, put on the City's & Community Organizations websites and utilized as part of the outreach efforts with property owners.
- The City of Torrington will utilize the local media, including newspapers (Torrington Register Citizen, Waterbury Republican American), radio (WZBG 97.3 FM) to issue project updates and press releases.
- Through the website, the City will provide a comment form for residents to submit questions, comments and concerns. For those without internet a form will be provided in the Mayor's Office.
- All press releases and promotional materials will be printed both in Spanish and English to create a multi-faceted way for Torrington to get the word to the appropriate parties.
- The Economic Development Coordinator, City Planner and City Engineer will attend appropriate meetings to present project updates to the public and the various boards and agencies.
- The BAR Steering Committee will meet quarterly to discuss the project status and be provided updates.
- Once sites have been selected, the Economic Development Director will meet with the City's environmental consultant, the City's Zoning Enforcement Officer and the Mayor to discuss a redevelopment strategy utilizing the brownfield development strategy

developed under the City's BAR Planning Grant and DEEP's Prepared Municipal Workbook.

3. B: Partnerships with Government Agencies

Due to the recent amount of brownfield development projects and the assistance between both the State of Connecticut and EPA, the City of Torrington has developed a strong brownfield team with its state and federal partners. The **Connecticut Department of Economic & Community Development (DECD)** has been supportive in providing funding to the City. Most of the current grant projects funded by DECD have been additional funds to support prior work conducted under the four EPA assessment grants that the City has received. DECD's involvement is critical in continuing their support with remediation funds and attracting development. The **Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP)** has also worked with the City in providing guidance and has worked directly with property owners in order to encourage the redevelopment and remediation of brownfield sites. DEEP has been a significant partner in working with the City on our Riverfront Recapture Project and working with a significantly challenged property adjacent to the City owned 100 Franklin Street parcel. DEEP's brownfield team's partnership is critical in ensuring all regulatory standards are met in addition to assisting the City in attracting development by promoting any liability relief programs that can assist future property owners. DEEP has also worked closely with the City on our trail development efforts. The City has received multiple grants through DEEP through their Recreational Trails Grant Program that has funded the Naugatuck River Greenway project as well as through the FHWA the purchase and acquisition of the Pan Am parcel along the Sue Grossman Greenway. In addition the **Connecticut Office of Policy Management** has supported the City with their Responsible Growth Program which funded the routing study and design for the connection of the Sue Grossman Greenway and the Naugatuck River Greenway in downtown Torrington. **The Torrington Area Health District** has also sat at the table with the City when promoting a healthier community. Their assistance on the regulatory side is critical in ensuring that properties are cleaned to an appropriate standard and that we continue to promote a healthier community.

3. C: Partnerships with Community Organizations

The City has partnered with three organizations that have been focused on either promoting a healthier community, trail development and/or brownfield redevelopment.

Torrington Development Corporation (TDC) is a non-profit organization designated by the City of Torrington to lead the public and private investment towards the revitalization of downtown Torrington. The TDC consists of business owners, community leaders and government officials. The TDC spearheaded the creation of the City's Municipal Development Plan (MDP) a comprehensive planning effort that was adopted by the City and the State of Connecticut in 2009. Over the past 5 years the TDC has focused its efforts on brownfield

redevelopment and trail development and has participated in all of the workshops and planning efforts that have taken place over the years. Most recently, the TDC has participated and sat on the BAR Steering Committee that was created as part of the City's BAR planning grant to develop a brownfield redevelopment strategy. As a redevelopment agency, the goal of the TDC is to eventually acquire and redevelop properties of their own. The TDC has committed to continue supporting the City's brownfield efforts, will remain on the BAR Steering Committee, will participate in workshops and meetings, and will help engage and promote the community through their social media outlets.

FIT Together is a non-profit organization with the goal "To build the healthiest kids, families, and communities through sustainable strategies that foster healthy eating and active living" with their dream "To make Torrington and Winsted the healthiest communities in Connecticut. Our future is held by our children, and our challenge is to give them the best chance to live long, healthy, and productive lives." Fit Together is comprised of representatives from organizations such as Charlotte Hungerford Hospital, Torrington Area Health District, the Northwest Connecticut YMCA, Torrington Trails Network and City representatives. Fit Together has been a huge advocate for making Torrington a more walkable community and has supported any effort of the City's to promote trail development and any other initiative that supports a healthier community.

Fit Together has committed to utilize their outreach efforts to help promote the trail development and specifically how it relates to brownfield redevelopment. Fit Together will co-host a public workshop with the City, have a member sit on the BAR Steering Committee, provide insight to the marketing materials that will be created and distributed to the public and help promote the projects through their media outlets.

Torrington Area Health District (TAHD) provides health services and information to twenty cities, towns and boroughs within the Northwest corner of Connecticut. Their goal is to promote and to protect the physical and environmental well-being of the citizens of the TAHD through direct services, wellness and promotion programs and community efforts. The (TAHD) has been a partner of the City's in addressing health issues within the City and most recently assisting the City with addressing blight.

TAHD has committed to assisting the City with the educational components and community outreach regarding the health benefits of brownfield and trail development. They will also have a representative sit on the BAR Steering Committee and will assist with promoting the educational materials through their website and social media outlets.

3. D: Partnerships with Workforce Development Programs

The City of Torrington has a long standing relationship with the Northwest Connecticut Chamber of Commerce (NWCC). The NWCC focuses on workforce development and works directly with the community in assisting with locating jobs for Torrington residents and supporting business

within the entire region. In addition, New Opportunities Inc, located on Field Street in the former Torrington Manufacturing building, also provides resources to Torrington's most needy residents. The City intends to work with both organizations when it specifically relates to career development whether it be specific to brownfield remediation or redevelopment of brownfield sites and attracting businesses to Torrington.

SECTION 4: PROJECT BENEFITS

4 A: Welfare, Environmental, and Public Health Benefits

The following welfare, environmental, and public health benefits will be observed once the brownfield sites within the target area are addressed:

- The population within the target area has a higher reliance on public transportation. The proposed trail corridor will include a site proposed for a Regional Transit Facility that would include a hub for the regional bus service. This trail will improve mobility and wellness by encouraging active transportation (pedestrian and bicycle) use for the elderly, Hispanic and low-income communities. This could also potentially reduce childhood obesity, high lead levels in children and promote better air quality.
- The Naugatuck River Greenway Steering Committee conducted an Economic Impact Study of the Naugatuck River Greenway. The report suggested that the cumulative health impact for Torrington would be 17.5 million once completely constructed. It is expected that those benefits will increase with the connection and expansion to the Sue Grossman Greenway.

4 B: Economic and Community Benefits

- With at least ten suspected non-residential brownfields with historic industrial use in the target area, the redevelopment and revitalization to improve the economic well-being of the City's population will increase the tax base, and increase livability in Torrington. This could also result in job creation and assist with reducing the un-employment rate.
- The NRG report also suggested that once the trail is completely constructed from Torrington to Derby there would be 129,700 visitors a year with \$2.9 million in annual direct spending.

SECTION 5: PROGRAMMATIC CAPABILITY AND PAST PERFORMANCE

5 A: Audit Findings

The City of Torrington has received four EPA Brownfield grants. For each, we have successfully managed the grant requirements and performed all phases of work necessary. We have not received any adverse audit findings and have complied with the reporting requirements.

5 B: Programmatic Capability

The City has experience with contracting consultants and is prepared to do so under this grant. The process to select a qualified consultant is done through a Request for Proposal or a Request for Qualifications that is developed by the City of Torrington's Purchasing Agent in collaboration with the Director of Economic Development. After proposals from varying contractors are submitted to the City, a selection committee will be formed consisting of City Officials, members from the Torrington Development Corporation and others who interact with the Brownfields program. The selection committee ranks the submissions using a rubric form and short lists the top two or three applicants to be interviewed and the most qualified firm is selected. For example, the City contracted with HRP Associates to provide reports pertaining to any and all of our assessment and clean-up sites as well as to provide technical assistance and to manage QAPPS and submissions to the EPA.

The City of Torrington's Finance Department is fully capable of managing grant funds and has done so with all awarded grants. The Finance Department has been responsible for managing our RLF Fund, Small Cities Grants, and State of Connecticut Brownfield funds.

5 C: Measuring Environmental Results: Anticipated Outputs/Outcomes

The City currently has a proven track record for tracking and measuring outcomes and progress of four (4) EPA Grants, including three assessment grants as well as a Revolving Loan Fund.

The funds from each of these grants has supported redevelopment efforts across the City. For example, the 100 Franklin Street project- now part of our Riverfront Recapture project was a property that was assessed utilizing EPA assessment funds and then was partially cleaned up with our EPA Revolving Loan Fund. The City then went on to receive an additional \$1,000,000 grant from the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development in order to continue our remediation efforts of this site.

5 D: Past Performance and Accomplishments

As mentioned above, The City of Torrington has received four EPA Brownfield grants. For each, we have successfully managed the grant requirements and performed all phases of work necessary. We have not received any adverse audit findings and have complied with the reporting requirements.

However, it's important to note that the City was awarded an RLF grant back in 2009 and struggled with utilizing the funds. At the time, not only did the market prove difficult to attract loans, in 2013 there was a significant change in leadership. In 2014, EPA sent a warning notice to the City regarding the need to spend the funds or to return to EPA. The new leadership team acting quickly and with the support of EPA, HRP, Arthur Bogen, CTDECD and CT DEEP was able to save the failing RLF in six short months by the City loaning against itself in order to remediate 100 Franklin Street, the home of the trail head to the Naugatuck River Greenway in downtown Torrington now called our Riverfront Recapture Project. However, due to these changes and the time crunch in which to issue a loan and to conduct the necessary requirements, reporting,

scheduling and work plan tasks were not followed accurately or timely as was originally designed in the cooperative agreement. The new leadership worked closely with our Project manager and worked to comply with all of the reporting requirements and closed out the grant successfully on-time.

Unfortunately, due to the timing and the pressure to close out the fund without any allowed extensions, the City was unable to utilize the entire \$1,000,000 RLF grant and returned \$253,847.95 to EPA at the close out of the grant.

Lastly, the City has five open grants from the CT Department of Economic and Community Development Office of Brownfields. Three of the five grants are close to close out. Many of these grants were awarded based on the previous grant efforts provided by EPA.

Provided on Table 4 is Torrington's past experience and performance on managing federally and non-federally funded agreements specific to brownfields.

Table 4: City of Torrington Past Brownfield Experience and Performance			
Project	Funding Agency	Amount	Award
Site Specific Hazardous Substance*	EPA	\$200,000	2004
Community Wide Hazardous Substance*	EPA	\$200,000	2007
Community Wide Petroleum*	EPA	\$200,000	2009
Revolving Loan Fund*	EPA	\$1,000,000	2009
Remediation - 100 Franklin Street ¹	CT DECD	\$1,000,000	2014
Assessment - 100 Franklin Drive ²	CT DECD	\$100,000	2014
Assessment - 18 Mason Street ³	CT DECD	\$100,000	2015
Brownfield Area-Wide Planning Grant ⁴	CT DECD/ Conn DOT	\$220,000	2016
Assessment - 200 Litchfield Street ⁵	CT DECD	\$100,000	2016
*All Grant work complete, grant successfully closed.			
1. LEP engaged, RBP engaged as environmental consultant, procuring contractors to remove remaining soil piles from RLF project 2. LEP engaged, all funds expended, negotiating with property owner re: next steps and potential property acquisition - close out expected early 2018 3. LEP engaged, all funds committed, City working with potential property owner - close out expected early 2018 and a transfer of property to new owner 4. Consultants engaged - project is 2/3rds completed, expected to close out in Summer of 2018 5. LEP engaged, all funds expended, needs additional funding, close out expected in 2018 depending on additional funds.			

City Of Torrington



ELINOR CARBONE
Mayor

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November 16, 2017

Frank Gardner
US EPA Region 1
5 Post Office Square
Suite 100, Mail Code: OSRR7-2
Boston, MA 02109-3912

RE: In-Kind Staff Services for Community-Wide Assessment Grant

Dear Mr. Gardner:

It is my pleasure to inform you that the City of Torrington is willing to provide In-Kind staff services for the EPA Brownfield Assessment Grant for a 3 year period for a total of \$27,697.80 for my Economic Development Director's Staff time.

It is expected that this grant will require 5 hours/week for 3 years at a current hourly rate of \$35.51.

Respectfully,

Elinor C. Carbone
Mayor

Torrington Development Corporation

140 Main Street, Room 312
Torrington, CT 06790

November 15, 2017

Elinor C. Carbone
Mayor
City of Torrington
140 Main Street
Torrington, CT 06790

Dear Mayor Carbone,

The Torrington Development Corporation (TDC) Board of Directors fully supports our city of Torrington's application for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) FY2018 Brownfield Assessment Grant. At our meeting on November 14, 2017 the board voted to unanimously support the grant application and committed to have 2 board members remain on the Torrington Brownfield's Steering Committee, assist with community engagement through promotion and information sharing via our social media outlets and to attend any public workshops related to this grant and other brownfield projects.

The TDC is an independent 501(c)(4) organization designated by the City of Torrington to lead the public and private investment towards the revitalization of our downtown district. We have a well-rounded board consisting of business owners, community leaders and representatives from our municipal government. We spearheaded the creation of a Municipal Development Plan (MDP) for our downtown, which has been adopted by the city and State of Connecticut in 2009.

The MDP has identified several brownfield properties within downtown that in many cases meander along the river and old rail beds. We understand that the revitalization of these properties is critical for the growth of our downtown. Most recently, the Naugatuck River Greenway Steering Committee conducted an Economic Impact Study supporting the benefits of the Naugatuck River Greenway. By connecting the Sue Grossman Greenway to the Naugatuck River Greenway, we expect these benefits to even be greater than shown. Therefore, trail development within our MDP area will continue to be a priority focus of the TDC especially as we begin to amend and update our MDP.

To date, the TDC has been fully supportive of the City's efforts of redeveloping the Franklin Street area otherwise known as the Riverfront Recapture Project that was part of the City's EPA Revolving Loan Fund as well as part of Torrington's BAR Planning Grant through the State of Connecticut. Through these efforts, the City is looking at infrastructure improvements that are consistent with our MDP which includes trail development along the river and the closure of Franklin Street which will create a pedestrian friendly space that will be the connection point between the Naugatuck River Greenway and the Sue Grossman Greenway located in the heart of our downtown.

Torrington is worthy of EPA's investment and our team is up to the task of continuing our efforts on addressing brownfields and expanding the trail network along the Sue Grossman Greenway that will spur redevelopment in our downtown area! We, the Torrington Development

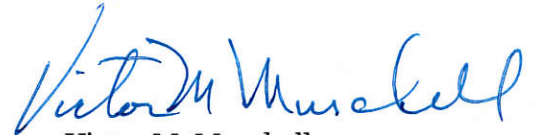
Corporation board are ready to collaborate and do our part in planning & implementing the assessment efforts moving forward in order to assist with the redevelopment of our brownfield properties.

Sincerely,



Peter C. Herbst
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Mission of Fit Together:

To build the healthiest kids, families and communities through sustainable strategies that foster healthy eating and active living.

Our Dream:

Our dream is that Torrington & Winsted will be recognized as the healthiest communities in Connecticut. Our future is held by our children and our challenge is to give them the best chance to live long, healthy and productive lives.

Fit Together Initiative

259 Prospect Street
Torrington, CT 06790
860-489-4131

www.FitTogetherNWCT.org

Steering Committee:

Carla Angevine
Clinical Nutrition Manager
Charlotte Hungerford Hospital

Greg Brisco
Chief Executive Officer
Northwest CT YMCA

Bill Burgess
President & Executive Director
Litchfield Hills Food Systems

Elinor Carbone
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Torrington Area Health District

JoAnn Ryan
President & CEO
Northwest Chamber of Commerce

November 15, 2017

Elinor C. Carbone
Mayor
City of Torrington
140 Main Street
Torrington, CT 06790

Dear Mayor Carbone:

Fit Together NW CT is a collaboration of organizations whose mission is to build the healthiest kids, families, and communities through sustainable strategies that foster healthy eating and active living in Torrington and Winsted; for more details on Fit Together you can visit <https://fittogethernwct.org>.

This letter is to inform you that Fit Together fully supports the City of Torrington's Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfield Assessment grant application to conduct environmental assessments on properties along the proposed route of the Sue Grossman Greenway. Fit Together is committed to working with the City of Torrington throughout this project and will help promote the assessment efforts through our community outreach. We will have a representative of our committee sit on the City of Torrington's BAR Steering Committee and co-host a public workshop with the City in an effort to educate the community regarding brownfield redevelopment and the economic and health benefits of trails within our communities.

Despite the relative good health, the people of Litchfield County enjoy, health care spending continues to rise and the surrounding environment continues to negatively affect the distribution of health. Two recent health assessments, conducted in 2012 and 2015, found that the leading health issues in our area largely mirror both state and national issues. Fit Together's goal is to effectively address these worsening conditions and promote healthy habits and choices of area residents through collective action and the efficient utilization of local expertise and resources.

The 5-mile expansion of the Sue Grossman Greenway is consistent with our mission and promotes a healthier lifestyle and encourages residents to walk and bike. The Sue Grossman Greenway is a proposed 10-mile multi-use trail which will connect north to downtown Winsted and south to the Naugatuck River Greenway. In addition to the health and recreation benefits of this Greenway it will support businesses along the trail and once connected to the Naugatuck River Greenway, it will connect Winsted and Torrington residents to the town of Derby. In order to promote this expansion, environmentally contaminated and sensitive properties must be identified and addressed. Not only will this trail provide for a healthy lifestyle, the remediation along the trail will improve air quality and provide a more environmentally safe area for residents.

Sincerely,

Leslie J. Polito
Fit Together NWCT Co-Chair



TORRINGTON AREA HEALTH DISTRICT

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"Promoting Health & Preventing Disease Since 1967"

November 16, 2017

Borough of Bantam

Elinor C. Carbone
Mayor
City of Torrington
140 Main Street
Torrington, CT 06790

Bethlehem

Canaan

Dear Mayor Carbone:

Cornwall

Goshen

Harwinton

The Torrington Area Health District (TAHD) is a governmental entity authorized under Connecticut statutes for providing local public health services. The Health District serves twenty municipalities in northwest Connecticut including the City of Torrington. This grant application falls squarely within our stated mission to promote and protect the physical and environmental well-being of the citizens of the Torrington Area Health District through direct services, wellness and promotion programs and active support of community efforts.

Kent

Borough of Litchfield

Litchfield

This letter is to inform you that TAHD fully supports the City of Torrington's Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfield Assessment grant application to conduct environmental assessments on properties along the proposed route of the Sue Grossman Greenway. TAHD is committed to working with the City of Torrington throughout this project and will help promote the assessment efforts through our community outreach. We will have a representative of our agency sit on the City of Torrington's Brownfield and assist with development of educational materials with the City to educate the community regarding brownfield redevelopment and the economic and health benefits of trails within our communities.

Middlebury

Morris

Norfolk

Despite the relative good health the people of Litchfield County enjoy, health care spending continues to rise and the surrounding environment continues to negatively affect the distribution of health. Two recent health assessments, conducted in 2012 and 2015, found that the leading health issues in our area largely mirror both state and national issues. Addressing these environmental conditions while promoting healthy habits of area residents through collective action and the efficient utilization of local expertise and resources is public health's goal.

North Canaan

Plymouth

Salisbury

Thomaston

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Torrington

Warren

Watertown

Sincerely,

Robert Rubbo, RS, MPH
Director of Health

Winsted

The Torrington Area Health District is an equal opportunity provider, and employer.
To file a complaint of discrimination write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20250-9410, or call (800) 795-3272 (voice), or (202) 720-6382 (TDD).

Threshold Criteria for Assessment Grants

1. Applicant Eligibility

The City of Torrington is a municipal agency located in the northwest corner of Connecticut.

2. Community Involvement

The City of Torrington will target a portion of the grant funds to reach out to the community, in a manner similar to what was undertaken during the public workshops conducted for our redevelopment projects and BAR Planning Study. The purpose is to solicit input and update the community as assessment projects proceed. Specifically, this outreach will target the elderly population, Hispanic population and low income residents.

The community involvement program will consist of the following components:

- The City of Torrington will co-host a public meeting at the beginning of the program to solicit input from residents, community organizations and businesses on issues pertaining to site contamination, redevelopment and greenway development.
- Flyers and informational brochures educating the public on trails and brownfield redevelopment will be prepared early on and distributed to residents, put on the City's & Community Organizations websites and utilized as part of the outreach efforts with property owners.
- The City of Torrington will utilize the local media, including newspapers (Torrington Register Citizen, Waterbury Republican American), radio (WZBG 97.3 FM) to issue project updates and press releases.
- Through the website, the City will provide a comment form for residents to submit questions, comments and concerns. For those without internet a form will be provided in the Mayor's Office.
- All press releases and promotional materials will be printed both in Spanish and English to create a multi-faceted way for Torrington to get the word to the appropriate parties.

- The Economic Development Coordinator, City Planner and City Engineer will attend appropriate meetings to present project updates to the public and the various boards and agencies.
- The BAR Steering Committee will meet quarterly to discuss the project status and be provided updates.
- Once sites have been selected, The Economic Development Director will meet with the City's environmental consultant, the City's Zoning Enforcement Officer and the Mayor to discuss a redevelopment strategy utilizing the brownfield development strategy developed under the City's BAR Planning Grant and DEEP's Prepared Municipal Workbook.

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 1. Type of Submission:

- ☐ Preapplication
☒ Application
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

* 2. Type of Application:

- ☒ New
☐ Continuation
☐ Revision

* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):

* Other (Specify):

* 3. Date Received:

11/16/2017

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name:

City of Torrington

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

06-6001898

* c. Organizational DUNS:

6055396180000

d. Address:

* Street1:

140 Main Street

Street2:

* City:

Torrington

County/Parish:

* State:

CT: Connecticut

Province:

* Country:

USA: UNITED STATES

* Zip / Postal Code:

06790-5201

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Economic Development

Division Name:

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:

Ms.

* First Name:

Erin

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Wilson

Suffix:

Title:

Director of Economic Development

Organizational Affiliation:

* Telephone Number:

860-496-5920

Fax Number:

860-489-2541

* Email:

Erin_Wilson@torringtonct.org

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

Environmental Protection Agency

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

66.818

CFDA Title:

Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative Agreements

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

EPA-OLEM-OBLR-17-07

* Title:

FY18 GUIDELINES FOR BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT GRANTS

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:

Rails to Trails & Brownfield Redevelopment along the Sue Grossman Greenway- Torrington, CT

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**16. Congressional Districts Of:*** a. Applicant * b. Program/Project

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

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17. Proposed Project:* a. Start Date: * b. End Date: **18. Estimated Funding (\$):**

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="300,000.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
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* f. Program Income	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="300,000.00"/>

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

- ☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on .
- ☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- ☒ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)**

☒ ** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Suffix:

* Title: * Telephone Number: Fax Number: * Email: * Signature of Authorized Representative: * Date Signed: